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ELBA TELEPHONE COMPANY IS  
SOLD TO SOUTH CENTRAL  
TELEPHONE CO.

Announcement has just been made of the sale of the Elba Telephone Company to the South Central Telephone Company. Negotiations for the purchase of the property were consummated a little more than a week ago.

The local telephone system for the past four years has been owned by Messrs D. J. Brooks, C. P. Hayes and P. C. Morris. Mr. Morris has been manager. The property is considered one of the best in this section and has paid handsome returns. It is understood that the purchase price of the system was \$35,000.

The South Central Company, so we are informed owns and operates quite a number of telephone systems in the West and Northwest sections of the State. The petition for the sale of the property will be heard before the Alabama Public Service Commission on May 21st. It is said that the new company will take over the property about the first of June, if all details can be worked out.

Messrs John Wilkerson, G. E. Ryan and Ebb Willis and children, spent Sunday with relatives near Opp.

Mrs. Hinton Flowers, of Birmingham, is in Elba visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Lightner.

Mr. J. W. Cooby and Mrs. G. E. Ryan were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Galloway in Troy Saturday.

Mr. L. A. Boyl, of Montgomery, was transacting business in Elba the first of the week.

Attorney J. C. Yarbrough, of Enterprise, was here Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. B. S. Franklin and daughter, Marguerite, visited relatives in Goolwater and Sylacauga last week.

Mr. W. J. Williams, for many years a resident of Coffee County, but who is staying with his son in Jacksonville, was a visitor at Elba the first of the week. He still claims Coffee County as his home, and is very much interested in the affairs of the county. He ordered The Clipper sent to him so he can keep up with a few of the happenings.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF  
NEW BROCKTON HIGH SCHOOL  
BEGIN MAY 18.

The Commencement exercises of the New Brockton High School will begin on Friday evening, May 18th, according to announcement made this week by Prof. W. A. Elson, principal of the school. The following program is announced, to which the public is cordially invited:

Friday evening, May 18th—Senior Class Day Exercises.  
Commencement sermon by Rev. S. M. Baker, of Sunday School Extension Department of the Methodist Church, Montgomery, Ala.  
Monday evening, May 21st—Senior Play, "The Old Oak Bucket."  
Tuesday evening, May 22nd—Graduating exercises. Address by Mr. J. B. Hobbs, of the State Department of Education.

MAYS-VAUGHN WILL HAVE AN  
OTHER "DOLLAR DAY" SALE  
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

Mays-Vaughn Mercantile Company will have their second "Dollar Day" Sale on Friday and Saturday of this week. This store staged its first sale about a month ago, and had splendid results. Many bargains are being offered for these two days, and nothing but staple merchandise is being offered. They tell you about a few of these bargains in this issue, and call your attention to the large circular which will give more of the bargains they are offering for the two days.

N. Messers F. H. Murphree and J. V. Wright were among the Elbians who journeyed to Miami the first of the week for the Shrine Convention.

BLOCKER'S STORE NOW HAS A  
CHECKERBOARD FRONT.

The store occupied by Mr. E. F. Blocker, on the West Side of Court Square now has a red, white and blue "checkerboard" front. The new painting of the store was done by a representative of the Purina manufacturers to make it easy to find the place where Purina Chows may be purchased.

Mr. Blocker reports a splendid sale on Purina Chows, and is putting forth special effort to educate people to the use of this popular feed. With the newly painted front, it is easy to find the Purina Chow store.

SEAY WILL SPEAK AT ELBA AND  
ENTERPRISE.

Hon. A. G. Seay, of Troy, candidate for Circuit Judge, will speak to the voters of the county twice Saturday. He speaks at Enterprise at 11:00 A. M. and at Elba at 2:00 P. M.

Dr. and Mrs. Mercer Rowe and child drove made a business trip to Montgomery recently.

METHODIST W. M. S. ENTER-  
TAINED AT PARSONAGE.

Messrs. L. B. Paul and W. H. Crook were hostesses to the Methodist W. M. S. Monday afternoon at the parsonage. The business hour was presided over by Mrs. H. C. Johnson, who also led the program. Messrs. Max Fortner, D. C. Marley and Corrie Roiden served on the program.

This was the 50th Anniversary of the society. Following the program a social hour was enjoyed. Some unique and amusing games were played. Later the ladies were invited into the dining room which was beautifully decorated with a profusion of flowers, carrying out a color scheme of pink and green. A most beautiful cake was the central adornment of the table. Delicious ice cream was served with the cake. Thirty ladies were present on this delightful occasion.

A new study, Seven Times Seven Years, was begun. What shall it be, this next 50 years? Will it tell of sacrifice, devotion and gifts commensurate with the powers and new day of material advance. The silver jubilee has been past. What will be the signs when those who continue to work shall reach the golden anniversary?

The G. A. met Thursday afternoon with Doris Whitman. Under the direction of the new leader, Mrs. Delma Kelley, the following program was carried out:

Business—presided over by President, Doris Whitman.  
Devotional—Louise Mitchell.  
Prayer—Mrs. Kelley.  
Song.  
Prayer—Louise Tucker.  
Personal services period.  
Mrs. Whitman assisted by Annie Joe Young served sandwiches and punch to nine members and two visitors.

BAPTIST DEACONS GIVE  
TURKEY DINNER.

A turkey dinner was given by the deacons of the Baptist Church Monday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cooper. Following the dinner hour the deacons held their regular meeting.

Those enjoying the dinner were: Rev. and Mrs. B. S. Franklin, Dr. and Mrs. C. P. Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Armour, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Brock, Mr. and Mrs. John Bonneau, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Prescott, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Dorsey, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Pierson, Messrs. Joe Blocker, Fannie Cunningham, and Marguerite Franklin.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CLUB HAS  
SPLENDID MEMORIAL DAY  
PROGRAM.

The Civic Improvement Club observed Memorial Day April 26th, with the following impressive program:  
Leader—Prof. J. C. Dixon.  
Song—America.  
Prayer—Rev. E. B. Paul.  
Reading: The Conquered Banner—Miss Marylene Ham.  
Saxophone Solo—Hablans Strain.  
Reading: The Sorrow of Lee—Miss Lucile Brown.  
Address—Judge M. S. Carmichael.  
Closing prayer—W. F. Cooper.

The address in which the speaker paid tribute to the men and women who sacrificed so willingly in the War of the Sixties, was indeed a touching one. In a logical way he explained to the youths present, the just cause for which many of the Confederates gave the last full measure of devotion.

He also paid special tribute to the memory of Mrs. C. A. Costello, who was reared in Elba, and to the earnest efforts she put forth to raise funds for the purpose of erecting a Confederate Monument on the Court House square. Many loyal citizens of the county contributed to this fund. A little more than \$100 was provided.

This of course, was inadequate for the original purpose. During the last days of this noble woman's life, she secured the consent of the majority of the contributors to use this fund to place memorial windows in the Elba Methodist Church which was under construction at that time. In the memory of the Confederate dead.

To the great disappointment of the Civic Club only five of the Old Soldiers were present. Following the program which was given at the Methodist church, the graves of all war heroes in the Elba cemetery were decorated.

UNOFFICIAL COPY OF BALLOT  
TO BE VOTED ON IN NEXT  
TUESDAY'S ELECTION.

We are publishing here an unofficial specimen of the ballot which will be used in the Primary Election on next Tuesday, May 8th. We are publishing this so that the voters of the county may acquaint themselves with the long list of names, out of which they may select their favorites to vote for. This ballot could not be used at the polls next Tuesday. The names as they appear below, however, will be the same as appear on the official ballot.

Instructions: To vote for any candidate, make a cross (X) in the square in the appropriate column, according to your choice. Vote your first choice in the column to the left of the names of candidates; vote your second choice in the column to the right of the names of candidates. If there is no column at the right of the name, vote your first choice only. Do not vote more than one choice for the same candidate.

For Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Vote for one  
JOHN C. ANDERSON

For Associate Justice of Supreme Court. No. 1. Vote for one  
EDMOND SOMEVILLE

For Associate Justice of Supreme Court. No. 2. Vote for one  
J. M. BONNER  
LUCIEN D. GARDNER

For Judge of Court of Appeals, No. 1. Vote for one  
C. R. BECKEN

For Judge of Court of Appeals, No. 2. Vote for one  
WM. H. SAMPFORD

For Judge of Court of Appeals, No. 3. Vote for one  
JAMES RICE

For President Alabama Public Service Commission. Vote for one  
E. H. NORMAN  
HUGH WHITE

For Democratic National Committee-man. Vote for one  
WATT T. BROWN  
WALTER MOORE

For Elector for President and Vice-President of the United States, from State at large. Vote for two  
ARTHUR E. FITE  
HENRY J. WHITEFIELD

For Delegate to Democratic National Convention, from State at Large. Vote for four  
First Choice  
HARRY M. AYERS  
SYDNEY J. BOWIE  
T. S. PAULK  
A. H. CARMICHAEL  
LLEWELLYN G. DUGGAR  
J. FOSTER FINKLEA  
H. P. GIBSON  
W. A. GUNTER, JR.  
J. C. HENDERSON  
FRANK B. NIHART  
JOHN B. WEAKLEY  
TRAVIS WILLIAMS  
WM. L. WHITE

For Alternate Delegate to Democratic National Convention, from State at Large. Vote for four  
First Choice  
JOHN H. RANKHEAD  
BYRD G. FAIRMER  
HUGH D. MERRILL  
P. T. RAIFORD

For Representative in 71st Congress from 3rd District. Vote for one  
HENRY B. STEAGALL

For Delegate to Democratic National Convention from Third District. Vote for two  
G. I. COMER  
M. H. HARPER  
C. C. PEACOCK  
MICHAEL SOLLIE

For Alternate Delegate to Democratic National Convention from Third District. Vote for two  
D. W. BAKER  
W. N. MORRIS

For Elector for President and Vice-President of United States, from Third District. Vote for one  
D. H. MORRIS

For Judge of 12th Judicial Circuit. Vote for one  
First Choice  
L. H. BRASSSELL  
WM. L. PARKS  
A. G. SPAY  
P. T. TRAWEEK

For Judge of Probate. Vote for one  
W. M. BRUNSON  
J. A. CARNLEY

For Clerk of Circuit Court. Vote for one  
L. R. CLARK

For County Superintendent of Education. Vote for one  
G. W. CARLISLE  
ROWE WATSON

For County Treasurer. Vote for one  
S. R. MORGAN

NEXT TUESDAY IS DAY FOR  
PRIMARY ELECTION; CANDI-  
DATES ARE BUSY.

Before another issue of The Clipper will be published the voters of the county will have cast their ballots for the various candidates for office to be filled—next Tuesday, May 8th, being the day.

All candidates are quite busy now and will put in full time seeing the voters between now and next Tuesday. We are carrying today a number of letters from candidates to the voters of the county. While it is a very busy time with the farmers, on account of the rains, floods, etc., it is the duty of every one to take a little time off next Tuesday and go to the polls and cast a ballot. Many important offices are to be filled and the wishes of a majority should be expressed. Go out next Tuesday and vote for your choice.

It is our purpose to give in next Thursday's paper the returns from the election. Of course our forms are closed on Wednesday. If it is possible we will get up the returns in time to publish the paper at the usual hour Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. C. E. Darney returned Friday from a business trip to San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. O. Dowling and Mrs. Clinton Messick and little daughter visited relatives in Laverne Friday.

Mrs. H. C. Johnson, Miss Louise Johnson and Miss Gypsy Blue went to Troy shopping Monday.

Mrs. Estelle Hutchison visited in Troy Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. F. H. Murphree and little daughter spent several days this week with friends in Union Springs.

Mr. W. F. Rainer was a business visitor in Montgomery the first of the week.

Editor J. H. Singleton, of the Enterprise Ledger, was in Elba Monday afternoon on business.

Mrs. J. V. Wright and children, are spending several days this week with relatives in Enterprise.

Mrs. W. F. Rainer and little daughter, Mary Jane, visited relatives in Brantley this week.

Only 54 per cent of Alabama cows were giving milk on March 1, said E. W. Gist, Montgomery.

Mr. W. O. Byrd, of Enterprise, was a business visitor at Elba Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. B. S. Franklin, Mrs. W. M. Tucker, Mrs. Alfion Strain and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick were visitors to Montgomery Monday.

TO THE VOTERS OF COFFEE  
COUNTY, BOTH LADIES AND  
MEN.

I take this method of soliciting your vote and influence for the office of County Treasurer. I will not have time to make a house to house canvass as the duties of the office require my presence; the responsibilities are such that I cannot entrust them to inexperienced help.

If you re-select me I promise a continuance of the same careful, courteous attention that the public has always received at my hands.

If you honor me with your vote I shall be very grateful.

Sincerely,  
SAM R. MORGAN.  
(Paid political advertisement by Sam R. Morgan, Elba, Ala.)

J. E. (LONNIE) SPURLIN  
For County Commissioner S. E. District (No. 3) Vote for one  
JOHN P. FINLAY  
W. L. FLEMING

For County Commissioner S. W. District (No. 4) Vote for one  
First Choice  
F. A. DEVANE  
J. CURTIS DONALDSON  
S. R. GATLIN  
W. G. STEPHENS  
EBB WILLIS

For Member of County Board of Education. Vote for two  
First Choice  
E. C. BROOKS  
S. A. BRYAN  
J. O. ENGLISH  
J. W. GRIMES  
G. F. McCALL  
J. E. WISE

For Justice of the Peace. Vote for 2  
First Choice  
For Constable. Vote for one

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MR. JASPER BRADLEY, AGED  
CITIZEN, DIED HERE SUN-  
DAY MORNING.

Mr. Jasper Bradley, one of Coffee's oldest and most highly esteemed citizens, died at his home in West Elba last Sunday morning at 8:00 o'clock. His death brings great sorrow to a score of friends and relatives.

Mr. Bradley was 83 years of age and had made his home in Elba for many years. He was a Confederate soldier, and a member of the Baptist Church. His body was laid to rest Monday at noon in the cemetery at Highland church. Funeral services were conducted by Judge J. A. Canfield.

Mr. Bradley is survived by his wife and the following children: Messrs W. F. and Willie Bradley, of Elba, Lee Bradley, of Brantley, and George Bradley, of Troy; Mrs. Osborne Hickman, of Opp; Mrs. W. W. Boutwell, of Elba, and Mrs. Henry Thompson, of Brantley.

Mr. Grover C. Bowden, representative of a building house, with Highland church, in Atlanta, was here Tuesday. He is spending a day or two with his parents in the North-western part of the county.

A new board of directors is to be elected for the Alabama Farm Bureau Cotton Association, this being required by regulations of the Association. Members of the organization, some will nominate on May 10 and elect June 7. There are 14 directors plus two at large appointed by the president of the Alabama Polytchnic Institute.

WOMAN TRIES TO COMMIT SUI-  
CIDE INHALING ETHER.

Dorhan, Ala., April 30—After writing a letter to her husband and placing it in the hands of Mrs. Olivia Ryals, in whose home she roomed on East Crawford Street, almonishing her not to disturb her or call her husband until noon, Mrs. Miles Ruid, wife of a waiter at the Elba Cafe, locked her door, lay down across a bed and placed a table cover saturated with chloroform over her face, in an attempt to commit suicide, according to reports.

Hearing no noise in the room for a cool while, Mrs. Ryals became alarmed and called neighbors. After efforts to attract the attention of Mrs. Ruid proved fruitless and finding they were unable to gain entrance into the locked room the police were notified. When the officers arrived they were forced to knock down the barred door before they could enter the chamber in which Mrs. Ruid had locked herself.

Mrs. Ruid was found lying across the bed unconscious. A cover from a nearby table was across her face, and upon investigation it was found to have been thoroughly saturated with chloroform. A physician was summoned and he declared that a sufficient quantity of the chloroform had not been inhaled to cause death.

At one o'clock in the afternoon Mrs. Ruid had not regained consciousness, although her pulse was said to be nearly normal.

FARMERS ARE BUSY REPLANT-  
ING CROPS WILL BE LATE.

Farmers throughout the entire county are busy replanting their crops, most of which were washed away in the recent floods. There is a scarcity of seed for planting cotton, and in many instances farmers will turn to peanuts and grain crops.

What little cotton was not washed up, has been seriously damaged by the cool damp weather. The situation is a very serious one, but farmers are making the best of it, and trying to get the seed in the ground. Late cotton will be better than none at all, some think. With prospects for good prices for peanuts, a considerable acreage will be planted to this crop.

With favorable weather conditions for a few days, farmers feel that they can yet make a fairly good crop.

BRIDGES OVER BEAVER DAM  
CREEK HERE ARE BEING  
REPAIRED.

The old bridge on Bushing street where the fill was washed away, is also being repaired, and this will also be opened within a few days.

Reports from all over the county state that roads and bridges are being repaired as rapidly as possible, and in most places traffic on the roads has been resumed. While it will take several days yet to completely repair the damage to roads and bridges, this work is being rushed as rapidly as possible. The damage will fall quite heavily on the county.

PORTER POWELL COMMITS SUI-  
CIDE AT HOME OF HIS SIS-  
TER IN TROY.

Troy, Ala., April 30—Porter Powell, aged 40 years, committed suicide Monday morning about 8:30 o'clock by shooting himself through the head with a .38 calibre revolver. The bullet was fired into his right temple, just above the ear and passed through his head, emerging at almost the same spot over his left ear.

Mr. Powell was a brother-in-law of B. G. McCallman, editor of the Troy Herald, and had gone to his home ostensibly to use the telephone. He had been talking with Mrs. McCallman and seemed to be well and happy. He left the room and called "goodbye," then went into another room, secured Mr. McCallman's pistol and fired the shot. When he was reached, he was dead. No motive can be learned for the deed.

He was well known in Troy, having been reared in this county. He had been connected with a local barber shop for several years. He is survived by his widow and five small children, also four brothers and four sisters.

SOME MEN GET STUCK  
BY NOT STICKING

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sands of miles

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Spend  
It All

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W. M. FARRIS, Assistant Cashier.  
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